



Change is in the Wind; The Future of Fisheries and Offshore Wind Energy in the Golden State

Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture

Chair: Senator Mike McGuire

Vice Chair: Assemblymember Dawn Addis

March 22nd, 2023 – 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

State Capitol, Room 112

Sacramento, CA 95814

Live stream: [California State Senate](#)

1. Welcoming Remarks

Senator Mike McGuire, Committee Chair

Assemblymember Dawn Addis, Committee Vice Chair

2. Potential Challenges, Opportunities and Perspectives from Policy Leaders

Jen Miller – Chief of the Renewable Energy Section, Office of Strategic Resources, Pacific Region, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

Elizabeth Huber – Director of Siting, Transmission, and Environmental Protection Division, California Energy Commission

Jenn Eckerle – Deputy Secretary for Oceans and Coastal Policy, California Natural Resources Agency; Executive Director, Ocean Protection Council

Holly Wyer – Senior Environmental Scientist, California Coastal Commission

3. Making Room at the Table, How Offshore Wind Projects can Mitigate Potential Environmental and Fishery Impacts: Briefing from the Industry

Adam Stern – Executive Director, Offshore Wind California

Rick Robins – Marine Affairs Manager, RWE Renewables

Elizabeth Marchetti – Fisheries Liaison, Equinor

4. Protecting the Ocean Blue while Making the State Energy Grid Green: Perspectives from Environmental Leaders

Kristen Hislop – Marine Program Senior Director, Environmental Defense Center

Andrew Johnson – California Representative, Defenders of Wildlife

Andrea Jones – Director of Bird Conservation, Audubon California

5. California's Fisheries and Offshore Wind Energy: Can Wind and Fish Co-exist, or will the Plan flounder?

Harrison Ibach – President, Humboldt Fishermen's Marketing Association

Alan Alward – Commercial Fisherman, Morro Bay

Mike Conroy – West Coast Director, Responsible Offshore Development Alliance

6. Public Comments – 2 minutes per speaker

7. Closing Comments: Committee Chair and Members

8. Adjournment